

What is claimed is:

1. An ultra-fine fibrous carbon characterized by stacking of carbon hexagonal planes having one or double directional growth axis with no continuous hollow core therein.  
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2. A fibrous carbon of claim 1, wherein
  - (1) carbon content is more than 95wt%; (2) the diameters range from 3.5 to 79.9 nm; (3) the aspect ratio (length per diameter) is more than 20;  
10 and (4) the carbon hexagonal planes align perpendicular to the fiber axis.
3. A fibrous carbon of claim 1, wherein
  - carbon content is more than 95wt%; the diameters range from 3.5 to 79.0 nm; the aspect ratio (length per diameter) is more than 20; and the  
15 carbon hexagonal planes align having 5 ~ 65° angle to the fiber axis.
4. A method for producing a fibrous carbon of claim 2, characterized by the steps of using carbon black-supported metal mixture or alloy catalysts, wherein the metal mixtures or alloys involve nickel as a major catalyst, and iron or molybdenum as secondary metals; the carbon black is characterized by less than 100m<sup>2</sup>/g BET-surface area, 20 ~ 60 nm particle size, and more than 10wt% oxygen content; and the carbon black-supported catalyst contains 0.1 ~ 60wt% metal mixture or alloy per carbon black; and  
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25 of the carbon source being introduced at the flow rate of 0.5 ~ 40

sccm per 1 mg catalyst in the furnace, where the carbon source involves hydrocarbons containing 2 ~ 6 carbon atoms or mixtures of aforementioned hydrocarbons and hydrogen.

5        5. A method for producing a fibrous carbon of claim 3, characterized by the steps of using carbon black-supported metal mixture or alloy catalysts, wherein the metal mixtures or alloys involve nickel as a major catalyst, and iron or molybdenum as secondary metals; the carbon black is characterized by less than 100m<sup>2</sup>/g BET-surface area, 20 ~ 60 nm  
10 particle size, and more than 10wt% oxygen content; the carbon black-supported catalyst contains 0.1 ~ 60wt% metal mixture or alloy per carbon black; and

of the carbon source being introduced at the flow rate of 0.5 ~ 40 sccm per 1 mg catalyst in the furnace, where the carbon source involves  
15 hydrocarbons containing 2 ~ 6 carbon atoms or mixtures of aforementioned hydrocarbons and hydrogen.

6.        6. A method according to claim 4, wherein  
the hydrogen partial pressure in the mixture of hydrocarbons and  
20 hydrogen is selected between 0 ~ 80v/v%; the production temperature is selected between 300 ~ 499°C; and the production time is selected between 2 min ~ 12 h.

7.        7. A method according to claim 5, wherein  
25 the hydrogen partial pressure in hydrocarbons and hydrogen mixtures

is selected between 0 ~ 80v/v%; the production temperature is selected between 300 ~ 499°C; and the production time is selected between 2 min ~ 12 h.

5        8.        A method according to claim 4, whereby

the carbon black-supported catalyst is alternatively treated as follows: oxidation to contain less than 1wt% carbon black at 300 ~ 500°C in oxidative gas containing 5 ~ 40v/v% oxygen or carbon dioxide in inert gases such as nitrogen, argon or helium; and repetitive reduction by 1 ~ 3 times in  
10      gas mixtures of 5 ~ 40v/v% hydrogen in nitrogen, argon or helium at 400 ~ 500°C for 1 ~ 48 h.

9.        A method according to claim 5, wherein

the carbon black-supported catalyst is alternatively treated as follows: oxidation to contain less than 1wt% carbon black at 300 ~ 500°C in oxidative gas containing 5 ~ 40v/v% oxygen or carbon dioxide in inert gases such as nitrogen, argon or helium; and repetitive reduction by 1 ~ 3 times in  
15      gas mixtures of 5 ~ 40v/v% hydrogen in nitrogen, argon or helium at 400 ~ 500°C for 1 ~ 48 h.

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10.        A method according to claim 8, wherein

said alloy according to the alloy kind is composed of 0.1/0.9 ~ 0.95/0.05(wt/wt) of Ni/Fe; 0.05/0.95 ~ 0.95/0.05(wt/wt) of Ni/Co; and 0.1/0.9 ~ 0.9/0.1(wt/wt) of Ni/Mo.

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11. A method according to claim 9, wherein  
said alloy according to the alloy kind is composed of 0.1/0.9 ~  
0.95/0.05(wt/wt) of Ni/Fe; 0.05/0.95 ~ 0.95/0.05(wt/wt) of Ni/Co; and 0.1/0.9  
~ 0.9/0.1(wt/wt) of Ni/Mo.

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